

## MISS MASON WITHDRAWS

She Sends Sensational Letter to School Board.

SAID SHE HAD NO CHANCE

Board Then Releases Investigating Committee From Action

FIVE HAD BEEN CHOSEN

School Finances are Discussed in Complicated Way.

Miss Ann B. Mason last night withdrew her application for a position on the board of teachers of the Wichita public schools, on the ground that she had been informed that the board would not renege her, regardless of whether she were competent. The communication, which was read to the board by R. L. Holmes, was as follows:

"Wichita, Kan., June 16.  
"To the Honorable Board of Education:  
"On account of having learned that I will not be reappointed, whether my competency is proven or not, I desire to withdraw my application for a position as teacher in the public schools of Wichita for the coming year."

This communication was read to the board after a commission of five members had been appointed to investigate the competency of Miss Mason, and after the board had decided to reconsider the motion of Mr. Stewart, made two weeks ago, to strike the name of Miss Mason from the list of teachers. As soon as the communication had been read, Mr. Hatfield moved to dismiss the commission and to withdraw the motion to reconsider the Stewart resolution at the meeting next Monday night. All members voted for this resolution of Mr. Hatfield except Mr. Gill, who voted in the negative, as he wanted the investigation to proceed.

Mr. Jackson said: "I would like to know who has informed Miss Mason that she would not be re-employed."

No attention was paid to this remark of Mr. Jackson. R. L. Holmes made the following statement to the Eagle regarding the matter:

"A prominent member of the board of education went to Miss Mason and told her that no matter what the investigating committee should decide to report, the board would not re-employ her, because to do so would affect its dignity."

Many members of the board were evidently much surprised at the action of Miss Mason. L. W. Gill said:

"I believe she made a mistake. The committee had been appointed and the board was proceeding along the right line."

Mr. Hollenbeck, who introduced Mr. Holmes to the board and secured for him permission to read the communication from Miss Mason, said:

"I had not the least idea what Mr. Holmes wanted, and was greatly surprised at the contents of the letter from Miss Mason. I do not believe a single member of the board knew that Miss Mason was going to withdraw her application."

The case of Miss Mason was brought before the board by Mr. Hatfield, chairman of the committee on teachers and salaries, who moved that the members of the committee recommending the employment of certain teachers be reconsidered. This motion carried.

Mr. Stewart then moved that his motion to strike the name of Miss Mason from the list of teachers be reconsidered, stating as he made his motion that he had not changed his mind on the matter in the least, but was willing to be fair. This motion carried, and then Mr. Hatfield introduced the following:

"Whereas, in the matter of the failure of the board to re-elect Miss Ann B. Mason for the ensuing year at its last meeting, undersigned, publisher of the proceedings of the board has given offense and rendered it advisable to grant a hearing and investigation, in order that even-handed justice may be done all concerned, therefore be it

"Resolved, That a committee of five members of this board, no one of whom shall be a member of the committee on teachers and salaries, shall be appointed by the president with authority and instructions to give an early and private hearing to persons on matters and things involved in the said action of the board, and report its findings to this board at an adjourned meeting, to be called and held Monday evening, June 24. Said commission is hereby directed to afford a full and fair hearing to all parties concerned, in executive sessions, and with the minimum of publicity."

This resolution was adopted and the president of the board appointed as the investigating committee Fred Condit, J. M. Martin, J. L. Francis, N. L. Hollenbeck and Fred Bell.

After the committee had been appointed and after the board had taken up other business, R. L. Holmes read the communication of Miss Mason, with the

result that the committee was dismissed and her withdrawal accepted.

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It is estimated that this will leave about \$60,000 in the general fund. The expenses of the school last year were \$61,624.77. The expenses in detail were as follows:

Printing, \$212.95; teachers, \$4,862.84; officers, \$4,847.70; janitors, \$5,377.75; fuel, \$2,857.03; insurance, \$480; miscellaneous, \$264.65; repairs, \$1,990; supplies, \$890.

The receipts for the year 1901 were as follows:

State appropriation, Sept. .... \$3,070.83  
State appropriation, March .... 3,212.64  
Total ..... \$6,283.47  
From county treasurer:  
July ..... \$978.28  
August ..... 700.00  
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City library appropriation ..... \$200.00  
Library fines ..... 20.00  
Sale of seats ..... 5.75  
Sale of a lot ..... 25.00  
Sale of junk ..... 15.00  
Other miscellaneous ..... 97.53  
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## MRS. CRITES SUES THE CITY

She Asks \$10,000 Damages for Injuries.

FROM FALLING INTO CELLAR

Council Transacted Considerable Routine Business.

Mrs. Verdi E. Crites is going to sue the city for \$10,000 for injuries she alleges she received from falling into the cellar under the south end of the Schetz building. Mrs. Crites sent a notice to the council at its meeting last night that she intended to bring suit for damages for \$10,000. Ray & Keith are her attorneys.

She alleges that one evening as she was walking down Market street she fell into the coal cellar under 126 South Market street, and was severely injured. Her physician told her that some of her injuries are permanent. She sues the city because it allowed the cellar to be constructed under the sidewalk and allowed it to be opened at the option of the occupants of the building, and thus made it dangerous to passersby.

The members of the council are getting tired of seeing the "fakirs," as Mr. Isley called them, standing on the street corners and shouting all of the time. Mr. Isley introduced a resolution to the effect that the city attorney prepare an amendment to the license ordinance, making the license high enough to prohibit these "fakirs" from using the streets of this city. "It is unbecomingly," said Mr. Isley, "and gives people a bad impression of our city, and we should take steps to stop it."

The city is going to open another street. What its name will be has not been decided on. It will be but one block long, and will be forty feet wide. The blocks east of Wabash avenue and north of Douglas are very long, so the people have petitioned to have a street opened midway between First street and Douglas avenue and running between Wabash and Ohio avenues. The petition was granted several weeks ago, and last night an ordinance was passed and L. F. West, F. H. Robertson and W. H. Walker were appointed appraisers to assess the damages and benefits.

In some sections of the city the weeds have grown considerable during the past few weeks, and all the city and health department could not cut them down fast enough with the machinery now at hand. Mr. Allen asked that he be allowed to purchase a new mower. It would cost about \$40 and the one the city owns now is old and pretty badly worn, and one mower is not enough to keep the weeds in all parts of the city down, so the new machine was ordered purchased.

Soon after the council was called to order the mayor asked Mr. Davidson to take the chair. The mayor was sick. He stayed during the meeting, however, but did not take an active part in the business.

Several weeks ago Dr. Jordan was ordered to vaccinate all the people for the first five or six blocks on Tremont avenue. A case of smallpox had developed in that section of the city and as the people visit around a good deal and the greater number of them had been exposed, the police and health departments ordered the doctor to vaccinate all the people he could find in the houses and the doctor vaccinated 150 people and presented a bill for \$100. The bill was allowed, but on motion of Mr. Luling the heads of the various departments were emphatically instructed not to incur any more debts in this manner, but should first receive the permission of the council.

The dog house north of Second street, built of stone and the city has been offered \$25 per perch for it on the ground. This was a pretty good price for the stone, but the street commissioner stated that he could use the stone and it would be worth more than \$25 a perch to the city. Some one has been stealing the stone, so the commissioner was ordered to bring the stone to the lot east of the city building and let the fellows who get locked in the city jail, break up the stone so they can be used on the streets.

Wichita has a post-house and Mr. Davidson, of the health department, stated that the city was not using it to any great extent, but that the towns south of here have been making good use of it. Every patient in the house at the present time was from some other town. The towns who have no post-house send every person who have the least semblance of a contagious disease to Wichita to be taken care of at the expense of the Wichita health board. This has been found very expensive and the members of the council were very indignant and by a unanimous vote, a city attorney, health officers in conjunction with the county commissioners were instructed to perfect some plan to prevent the smallpox patients from coming to Wichita from other cities. Although there is a law against the railroads hauling people under suspicion of having smallpox or other contagious disease, it is alleged that the railroads violate this law many times each year and it is probable from the ideas advanced by the members last night that an ordinance will be prepared imposing a fine on the railroad companies for every case they bring in. Symcote street, thirty feet wide from Douglas avenue to Pine street and south of that it is sixty feet. Mr. Chas. Payne owns all of the land on the east side of the street. Mr. Payne offers to make some arrangement with the city whereby the street will be made the same width as far north as Maple street. He will give the land necessary to accomplish this and if the city will give him some unused land along the river. The city attorney and committee on public improvements were instructed to complete the deal with Mr. Payne.

The tract of land known as Walnut street, from Lawrence avenue to the alley, was leased to Mr. I. F. West and Geo. McTaggart. The title of this land is in controversy and as it stands at present it is an annoyance to the people along the street so it was leased so that it could be improved.

Davidson & Case have found that their lumber sheds on South Market street, which they have been using for some time, are not safe and they have ordered them removed.

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